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DEBORAH PRATT TO APPEAR AT THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Writer/Director/Executive Producer/Novelist

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library will host an author talk with Deborah Pratt on Sunday, October 5, 2008 at 2:00 PM in the Wangenheim Room of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is FREE to the public.

Award-winning author Deborah Pratt invites you into the world of The Vision Quest. *The Vision Quest: Book Two: The Odyssey* follows the hero Lazer, a boy of seventeen, whose carefree life on the newly risen continent of Atlantia is altered forever when one of the four mysterious knowledge gnorbs is stolen and the land falls under the control of the evil leader of the biodroid-based Black Guard.

Copies of Deborah Pratt's books will be available for purchase at the event and you are invited to become a Questor at her website, www.thevisionquest.com.

Ms. Pratt is a 27-year veteran of the entertainment industry. Her credits include co-executive producer, as well as head writer of the award winning Sci-Fi series, "Quantum Leap", which still airs in syndication. "Quantum Leap" which aired for five years, was awarded multiple Emmys, 2 Golden Globes and numerous other prestigious awards. Quantum Leap became a cult phenomenon, with an active, loyal fan club (Leapers) of approximately 7 million worldwide. As a producer, she is a four-time Emmy nominee and Golden Globe nominee. As a television writer, Ms. Pratt was awarded the Lillian Gish Award from Women in Film, The Angel Award, The Golden Block Award and five B.E.N. awards. As a producer, she is a five-time Emmy nominee as well as a Golden Globe nominee.

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Ms. Pratt made her directorial debut with "Girlfriends", a short film, written and produced by her in association with the American Film Institute. "Girlfriends" won first place in the 1997 Black

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Film Makers Hall of Fame for best short film, The St. Louis Film Festival, The CINE Golden Eagle Awards in Washington D.C. and the New York Exposition Festival. "Girlfriends" aired on Showtime as a winner of the 1998 Filmmakers Festival. Her most recent directing endeavor, a feature length film for the BBC's, Exxon-Mobil Masterpiece Theatre and ALT Films entitled "Cora Unashamed", bringing in PBS's highest ratings for a dramatic movie and just released on DVD.

For more information, call the Central Library at 619-236-5800 or visit the San Diego Public Library www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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